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ANNUAL REPORT OF
THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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To: The Chairman and Members of the Saxmundham Urban District Council

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you a Report on the Health and Sanitary State of the District for the year 1968.

I have the honour to be, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D. W. RYDER RICHARDSON

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS:-

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Live Births:-	29	16	13
Birth Rate:- 16.9			
Stillbirths	NIL		
Deaths:	12	6	6
Death Rate: 7.0			

Deaths from Puerperal Causes	None
Deaths of infants under 1 year old	None
Deaths of infants under 4 weeks old	None
Deaths from cancer	2
Deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough, Diarrhoea under 2 years old	None

INFECTIOUS DISEASES:- Rubella was epidemic during the early part of the year; 6 cases of pneumonia occured with no deaths: this disease ceased to be notifiable during the year.

WATER SUPPLY:- Adequate supplies of good quality water free from bacterial contamination continues to be supplied by the East Anglian Water Company.

SEWAGE WORKS:- It is proposed to remove the Sewage works to Benhall, where an installation will be constructed sufficiently large to deal with the sewage from this town and the neighbourhood.

1. HOUSING

(a)	No. of houses inspected	8
(b)	No. Unsatisfactory	6
(c)	No. rendered fit:-	
	(1) Informal	4
	(2) Formal - Public Health Acts	-
	(3) Formal - Housing Acts	-
(d)	No. Demolition Orders secured	-
(e)	No. Dwellings included in Clearance Orders secured	-
(f)	No. demolished informally	-
	No. demolished under (d) above	-
	No. demolished under (e) above	-
(g)	No. of dwellings in respect of which undertakings not to relet were accepted (Including Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953)	-
(h)	No. cases of overcrowding known to exist at end of 1964	-
(i)	No. cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	-
(j)	Total No. new houses erected :-	
	(i) by Local Authority	-
	(ii) by Private Enterprise	5
(k)	No. of new houses allocated for slum clearance	-
(l)	No. of new houses in 1968 estimates allocated for slum clearance	-
(m)	No. of Improvement Grants approved during the year:	
	Standard Grants	4
	Discretionary Grants	2
	No. of Improvement Grants completed during the year:	
	Standard Grants	4
	Discretionary Grants	-

2. FOOD PREMISES

Number of Food Premises in the area, and type of Business:-

Confectioners	5
Grocers	6
Fishmongers	1
Butchers	2
Snack Bars	1
Cafes	1
Greengrocers	3
	19

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(a) No. of premises inspected	19
(b) No. of inspections made	24
(c) No. found to be unsatisfactory	4
(d) No. rendered satisfactory	
(1) Informally	4
(2) Formally	-
(e) No. of premises registered under Section 16, Food and Drugs Act, 1955:-	
(1) Ice Cream - Manufacture	-
- Storage or Sale only	11
(2) Sausages, preserved food, etc	2
(f) No. of Ice Cream samples taken for bacteriological examination	-
No. of samples found to be unsatisfactory	-
(g) No. of licensed slaughterhouses	1

3. FOOD INSPECTION

(a) Meat inspected

Is 100% inspection being carried out? YES

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number Killed	189	-	-	310	398
Number Inspected	189	-	-	310	398
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticercosis Whole carcases condemed	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemed	8	-	-	1	3
Tuberculosis only Whole carcases condemed	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemed	-	-	-	-	7
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemed	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-

3. FOOD INSPECTION (con'd)

Other food condemed:- NIL

4. PUBLIC HEALTH (General)

Moveable Dwellings

No. of site licenses - No. of Individual Licences 1
No. of inspections during the year (a) Sites 1
(b) Dwellings ..... -
No. of contraventions remedied ..... -

Rats and Mice Destruction

No. of premises treated :- (a) Dwellings 32
(b) Other premises 6

Disinfection, etc.

No. of premises disinfected ..... -
No. of premises disinfested ..... -

Refuse Collection and Disposal

Frequency of collection ..... Weekly
Method of disposal ..... Controlled Refuse Tip
Is night soil collection undertaken? ..... No
Is cesspool emptying undertaken? ..... No

Water Supply

No. of water samples taken for:-
Bacteriological examination 1
Chemical examination 1

Drainage etc.

No. of new sewer connections made ..... -
No. of conversions to W.C. (Public Health Act, 1938,(Section 47) -

Offices and Shops, Act 1963

Number of premises inspected 24
Contraventions found ..... -
Contraventions remedied ..... -

5. FACTORIES ACT, 1961

(a) INSPECTIONS for purpose of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)	Number of Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are enforced by Local Authorities:	1	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority:	22	19	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises); Building Sites and Slaughterhouses.	1	10	-	-
TOTAL	24	30	-	-

(b) Cases in which DEFECTS were found : -

6. OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134): NIL